JOB OPPORTUNITY Instructor I (Ceramic Instructor) Cultural Services Division SALARY \$20.13 – \$22.21 per hour

The City of Torrance Community Services Department is currently accepting applications for one Instructor I with the Cultural Services Division.

DESCRIPTION:

The current opening is for one Ceramic Instructor to teach youth 6 -14 years old, parent & child 3-6 years old, and can substitute for adult ceramic classes. Under supervision, the Ceramic Instructor I prepares lesson plans for beginning and intermediate levels of ceramics for youth in various techniques of hand building with high-fire clay exploring clay sculptures using pinch, slab and coil techniques. Glazing projects and throwing on the potter's wheel for older children is required

DUTIES:

- Prepares lesson plans.
- Provides instruction in beginning and intermediate ceramic skills.
- Routine set-up and cleaning of equipment and studio.
- Works with ceramic lab technicians for glazing materials and firing
- Interface with the public and other personnel.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

Knowledge of:

- Knowledge of ceramic materials, equipment and procedures.
- Knowledge of fundamental elements and principles of clay; forming, firing and glazing.
- Strong verbal communication skills in ceramic techniques for children.
- Basic first aid.

Ability to:

- Develop lesson plans for beginning through intermediate students.
- Follow written and oral instructions.
- Learn, monitor and enforce departmental policies and procedures.
- Evaluate class activities to assess class effectiveness.
- Physically lift and handle necessary supplies and equipment.

Education/Experience:

- Bachelor's degree in Fine Arts. Graduate experience is a plus.
- Prior teaching experience with children.

HOURS:

- Various hours that includes Mondays, 1:00p.m. 7:00p.m. and Thursdays 3:30-6:00p.m. Classes begin June 28, 2010. Maximum 20 hours per week, Monday through Saturday.
- FILING DEADLINE: 5:00p.m., Thursday, June 3, 2010. Interested applicants can submit an application, resume and cover letter to the City of Torrance Human Resources Department, 3231 Torrance Boulevard during the following hours: Monday Friday, 7:30a.m. 5:30p.m. The Human Resources Department is closed every other Friday. Application, resume and cover letter can also be submitted on-line on the Human Resources Department web page at www.TorranceCA.Gov. Only those candidates whose training and experience best meet our needs will be invited to participate in an oral interview which will include a portfolio or CD review. Oral interviews are tentatively scheduled for the week of June 7, 2010. If you have additional questions contact Janene Ferguson at JFerguson@TorranceCA.Gov or (310) 618-2326.